District Judge John H. Chun

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

JOSE LADISLAO GARCIA GUTIERREZ,

No. 2:23-cv-1990-JHC

Plaintiff,

Defendants.

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD

CASE IN ABEYANCE AND ORDER

v.

Noted for Consideration on:

UR MENDOZA JADDOU, et al.,

fal., March 4, 2024

Plaintiff and Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 7(d)(1), 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to stay these proceedings until April 3, 2024. Plaintiff brings this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act and Mandamus Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services ("USCIS") to compel action on his and his derivative spouse's Form I-918s, Applications for U Nonimmigrant Status, and Form I-765s, Applications for Employment Authorization. For good cause, the parties request that the Court hold this case

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Courts have "broad discretion" to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for

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in abeyance until April 3, 2024.

1 counsel, and for litigants." Landis v. N. Am. Co., 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); see also Fed. R. Civ. 2 P. 1. 3 With additional time, this case may be resolved without the need of further judicial 4 intervention. USCIS has acted on most of the applications at issue here. The only remaining 5 application that USCIS has not adjudicated is the derivative wife's Form I-765. USCIS needs 6 additional time to act on this application. Accordingly, the parties respectfully request that the 7 instant action be stayed until April 3, 2024. The parties will submit a joint status report on or 8 before April 3, 2024. 9 Dated: March 4, 2024 Respectfully submitted, 10 TESSA M. GORMAN United States Attorney 11 12 s/Michelle R. Lambert MICHELLE R. LAMBERT, NYS #4666657 13 Assistant United States Attorney United States Attorney's Office 14 1201 Pacific Avenue, Suite 700 Tacoma, Washington 98402 15 Phone: 253-428-3824 16 Email: michelle.lambert@usdoj.gov Attorneys for Defendants 17 I certify that this memorandum contains 18 252 words, in compliance with the Local Civil Rules. 19 20 s/Katherine H. Rich KATHERINE H. RICH, WSBA#46881 21 Rich Immigration PC 1207 N. 200th Street, Suite 214b 22 Shoreline, Washington 98133 Phone: 206-853-4073 23 Email: katherine@richimmigration.com 24 Attorney for Plaintiff 25 26 27

ORDER

The case is held in abeyance until April 3, 2024. The parties shall submit a joint status report on or before April 3, 2024. It is so **ORDERED**.

DATED this 4th day of March, 2024.

JOHN H. CHUN

United States District Judge

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